

## **BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN**

**August 2, 2005**

**7:30 PM**

Mayor Baines called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the roll. There were thirteen Aldermen present.

Present: Aldermen Roy, Gatsas, Guinta, Sysyn, Osborne, Porter, Lopez,  
Shea, DeVries, Garrity, Smith, Thibault and Forest

Absent: Alderman O'Neil

Mayor Baines stated I have one announcement and then I have a presentation. Mr. Bernier the Governor will be visiting City Hall this week. Could you just talk a little bit about that.

Mr. Leo Bernier, City Clerk, stated we did invite the Governor to come down. He made a campaign promise when he campaigned through City Hall and is going to return and talk to all the employees and thank them for their votes and update everyone and give people time to talk to him quietly. He'll be here at noon on Friday.

Mayor Baines stated the other thing is I'd like to call Bill Jabjiniak front and center, Bill. While Bill is on the way up here you will receive a notification that there will be a farewell gathering for Bill at J. W. Hills on Wednesday (tomorrow) from 5 to 7:30 PM. Before I make the presentation I'd like to talk a little bit about Bill and his contributions to the City. Shortly after I became Mayor it became obvious to me that we needed a point person for downtown to help coordinate all the variety of activities that we were anticipating to take full advantage of the opening of the arena. One of the concerns that I had and was shared by members of the Board if we did not have someone out there working with the private sector to redevelop various properties on Elm Street it might have had a much different outcome than it has today. I went to the Board after a series of meetings with people from the development community, the real estate community and others...it was a morning meeting...I'll never forget it over at Sheehan, Phinney, Bass & Green and we were saying why can't we get things moving in terms of development in downtown and the consensus was that there wasn't one individual to take people through the process to bring various entities together especially with the complexity of federal funding, city funding and all that needed to be done to focus on downtown. I went to the Board to ask them to create this position, the Board did it...I know there was a reconsideration at one point and we prevailed again and I think everybody now sees that that was one of the best things that we did right after many of us assumed office in City Hall. As a result of that there's a much different downtown today than there would have been if Bill Jabjiniak had not been put into this

position of responsibility. When you look at the first project that actually started prior to us coming into office with the Marguerita's facility in the Chase Block moving down the street we began to work with other entities looking at...we worked with Dick Anagnost on the Dunlap building...the Bond building rather was the first one and then we went to the Dunlap building and then the McQuade building and then overseeing and I think it's fitting you're having your party at J. W. Hills because Bill and I have been through many openings where at the last minute there are various snags and various problems that result from the coordinated effort we try to put forward and Bill and I and staff and Bill I think he was practically living at J. W. Hills to make sure the business got open. One of the things you need when businesses are opening they have all of their workers ready to go to work and they need to get the income flowing in, therefore, we put special attention on making sure everything is coordinated so businesses can get open in a very timely fashion. I'm going to present Bill, first of all, with a Key to the City on behalf of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, the citizens of Manchester and wish him much success in his new assignment. He and his wife will be moving to Richmond, Virginia working with Mayor Wilder on some very exciting projects and I'll be keeping tabs with him...the Mayor down there to see how you're doing...I know you're doing a great job. But, the wording of this key I think is very fitting..."Presented to William J. Jabjiniak for building and opening doors of opportunity for our citizens"...because Bill literally...you not only built doors but you opened them and we were at so many great openings of businesses in the downtown sector...you've made an imprint on Manchester that will be remembered for many years to come...I congratulate you on the work that you've done, I wish you, your wife and your son all the best with this transition...I know you're apprehensive about it because when you have a child that's going from 8<sup>th</sup> grade to high school that's a very tough decision but you have the best wishes of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and the citizens of Manchester and a grateful community...thank you for a job well-done and we're going to miss you very much here at City Hall...congratulations.

Mr. William Jabjiniak, Manchester Destination Coordinator, stated Mayor thank you. It's been five years exactly to the August meeting in 2002 when we had such great support...it was the September meeting that we survived the reconsideration but you're right we can look out and see a lot of positive effects that we've gotten accomplished in the last five years. But, that also goes to the relationship with the Board. I've enjoyed a great relationship with the majority of the Board working together to get things accomplished...the Mayor can't do it himself, the staff can't do it himself...it really takes the Board and the Mayor and staff together to really pull it all together. The other things is working with all of the departments and their staff. There's numerous times I've reached out to various departments and if they're not available I can go right down the list and we usually get a lot of things accomplished and I think that's a testament to the quality of the staff that's here. I'm looking for that in Richmond already...we were just down there and enjoyed a long weekend of trying to find a home which was harder than I thought it was going to be but as we were down there the Mayor did find me over the weekend and we did attend a press conference on

Monday morning and we announced a \$175 million mixed use development for a full block in downtown. So, we're already off and running...I got a chance to meet with staff...it's a great professional and personal opportunity and you can blame my wife because she had the opportunity first. So, together and with Nathaniel and there was some apprehension because he is an only child but I think we got him into a great situation with schools...I think this is again a great fit for us and we're looking forward to it and I can't say enough about the support and the thanks the business, the merchants, the Board, the Mayor and staff has given and I thank you all and really look forward to the next couple of days and onto bigger things.

Mayor Baines interjected and we'll party tomorrow night. I did mention at the meeting at 6:15 we've had a lot of apprehension in our office...Tina was very excited about the birth of this beautiful boy Ryan Patrick and the best news came today as they removed him from the respirator following his heart surgery and I think there were four cardiologists and all kinds of medical personnel as he started to breathe on his own because they had an incident a couple of days ago where he wasn't able to...this was a great day for all of them. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Baines advised if you desire to remove any of the following items from the Consent Agenda, please so indicate. If none of the items are to be removed, one motion only will be taken at the conclusion of the presentation.

### **Informational – to be Received and Filed**

- A. Communication from Robert MacKenzie, Director of Planning & Community Development, submitting the Mid-year Planning Report.
- B. Communication from Comcast submitting the franchise fee payment for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2005.
- C. Communication from Comcast advising of changes to be implemented on August 16, 2005.

### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

#### **COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS, ENROLLMENT AND REVENUE ADMINISTRATION**

- D. Recommending that various accounts receivables balances that are unpaid as a result of 2002 and 2003 airline bankruptcy filings (attached herein) be written off. (Unanimous vote with Alderman Thibault absent.)
- E. Advising that it has accepted the City's unaudited Monthly Financial Statements for the year ended June 30, 2005 submitted by the Finance Department, and is forwarding same to the Board for informational purposes. (Unanimous vote with Alderman Thibault absent.)

- F.** Advising that it has accepted the following Finance Department reports:
- a) department legend;
  - b) open invoice report over 90 days by fund;
  - c) open invoice report all invoices for interdepartmental billings only;
  - d) open invoice report all invoices due from the School Dept. only;
  - e) listing of invoices submitted to City Solicitor for legal determination; and
  - f) accounts receivable summary.
- and is forwarding same to the Board for informational purposes.  
(Unanimous vote with Alderman Thibault absent.)

#### **COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC/PUBLIC SAFETY**

- L.** Recommending that regulations governing standing, stopping, parking and operations of vehicles be adopted and put into effect when duly advertised and posted.

**HAVING READ THE CONSENT AGENDA, ON MOTION OF ALDERMAN SHEA, DULY SECONDED BY ALDERMAN SMITH, IT WAS VOTED THAT THE CONSENT AGENDA BE APPROVED.**

Mayor Baines stated Alderman O'Neil as of Saturday is now married.

- Report of the Committee on Human Resources/Insurance:**
- G.** Recommending that a part-time Custodian position be approved in the Health Department.  
(Unanimous vote.)

- Report of the Committee on Human Resources/Insurance:**
- H.** Recommending that an Electrician II position (salary grade 17) be established in the Water Works Department.  
(Unanimous vote.)

- Report of the Committee on Human Resources/Insurance:**
- I.** Recommending that the Board approve a part-time Assistant Librarian (salary grade 13) position at the Library.  
(Unanimous vote.)

- Report of the Committee on Human Resources/Insurance:**
- J.** Advising that it has approved Ordinance:

“Amending Section 33.025 (Community Health Nurse) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Manchester.”

providing for a salary grade increase for Community Health Nurses from Grade 17 to Grade 18, and is recommending that same be referred to the Committee on Bills on Second Reading for technical review.  
(Unanimous vote.)

**Report of the Committee on Human Resources/Insurance:**

**K.** Advising that it has approved Ordinance:

“Amending Section 33.026 (Community Health Supervisor) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Manchester.”

providing for changes in class specification, which do not change the title of a position and do not provide for any changes in salary grade of such position and is forwarding same to the Board for adoption.

(Unanimous vote.)

Alderman Lopez stated the reports had been approved unanimously by the Human Resources Committee and would move that all report be accepted. Alderman DeVries duly seconded the motion.

Alderman Gatsas in reference to Items G, I and J stated I have some problems with this because obviously we're one month into a new budget and I would have thought that any new positions that we were going to approve would have come through the budget and I find that here we are past the budget...one month into the new year and we're approving three different positions. I would think that those should have come forward during the budget process. I'm sure that they didn't...I don't know what date the committee met they must have met sometime in mid-July so I would think that this would have been on the front burner of the department heads that were thinking about doing this and should have been thought about during the budget process and I think that the type of constraints that we had during the budget process it amazes me that they found the positions and the money to look for these positions to be open.

Alderman Shea stated when the people discussed these positions they indicated that there would be no increase to any budgets at all...that they would be worked within the budget themselves, so we wouldn't add any money or have to do any additional additions to any budget.

Alderman Gatsas stated it may not be an increase in the budget but obviously then we must have over appropriated those budgets because they didn't look for those employees back when we were doing the budget so there must have been additional money that we could have cut from those budgets to save the taxpayers some money.

Mayor Baines called upon Mrs. Lamberton.

Ms. Virginia Lamberton, Human Resources Director, stated the Water Department is on a different cycle for their budget. I believe their Water Commission had approved that in the early...

Alderman Gatsas interjected, your Honor, I wasn't talking about that one.

Ms. Lamberton stated the Librarian position is due to retirements of people that have been with the City for a long, long period of time and they're placements are being paid considerably less and so within the budget there was enough funding to hire a part-time...this is only a 10-hour a week position in the Library. The other position which is...which items are you referring to, Alderman?

Alderman Gatsas replied I am referencing Items G, I and J.

Ms. Lamberton stated the part-time custodian position...instead of paying a contractor to pay an individual to be a custodian the Health Department would prefer to hire directly a part-time custodian rather than paying a temporary agency to do that for them and they won't be paying the fees that you pay in addition to the hourly rate of pay for the custodian by doing so. The community health nurse...that reclassification...those positions are essentially paid for...the majority of them by grants and so it's not expenditures from the City and frankly we have tremendous problems recruiting and retaining community health nurses and we really don't have any alternative but to increase the pay at this point in time.

Alderman Gatsas stated I think the points being missed. My point was very specific. I don't think that these just jumped out at us in the last three weeks. These positions should have been talked about and discussed during the budget process and if the funds were there we could have allocated those positions and those changes. For this to come one month after the budget is started to me doesn't make sense. It should have been something that should have been done during the budget process...we do this every year, your Honor, and it shouldn't be done.

Mayor Baines called for a vote on the motion to accept all reports of the Committee on Human Resources/Insurance. The motion carried with Aldermen Gatsas and Guinta duly recorded in opposition to Items G, I and J.

Alderman Lopez stated I was going to move that Bills on Second Reading approve this but I'll withdraw that and let it go to Bills on Second Reading and discuss it more then.

Mayor Baines stated we had to make an adjustment because the individual that we're replacing on the Planning Board...we discussed with the City Solicitor and we are unable to locate him. We've sent certified mail and everything but there's a whole process to follow if we can't locate him and get him to resign. So, I'm nominating Mr. Martel to fill the other vacant alternate position, term to expire May 1, 2007. Since his name was already laid over I would ask to suspend the rules and confirm the nomination this evening.

Alderman Porter moved to suspend the rules and confirm the nomination of Robert F. Martel to fill a vacant alternate position on the Planning Board, term to expire May 1, 2007.

Alderman Roy duly seconded the motion. There being none opposed, the motion carried.

Mayor Baines presented the following nominations advising that they will layover until the next meeting. Also, I would like to thank Alderman Porter and Alderman Smith for recommending Tom Hammond for the position on the Police Commission, he's probably one of the most qualified people I've nominated to the Police Commission because of his experience in law enforcement.

**Police Commission:**

Thomas J. Hammond to succeed James McDonald, Sr., term to expire September 15, 2008; and

John Tenn to succeed himself, term to expire September 15, 2008.

**Board of Recount:**

Alderman William Shea to succeed himself, term to expire October 1, 2008;

Peter McDonough to succeed himself, term to expire October 1, 2008; and

Andre Martel to succeed himself, term to expire October 1, 2008.

**Revolving Loan Fund:**

Joseph G. Fremeau to succeed himself, term to expire August 1, 2008;

Robert A. Greenwood to succeed himself, term to expire August 1, 2008;

Peter R. Madden to succeed himself, term to expire August 1, 2008;

James Bell to succeed himself, term to expire August 1, 2008;

David B. Eaton to succeed himself, term to expire August 1, 2008; and

Larry Allard to succeed Edward N. O'Brien, term to expire August 1, 2008.

Mayor Baines stated as per rules of the Board these nominations will layover until the next meeting.

5. Confirmation of the nomination of Maureen Nagle as a member of the Manchester Transit Authority, term to expire May 2010.

On motion of Alderman DeVries, duly seconded by Alderman Thibault, it was voted to confirm the nomination of Maureen Nagle as a member of the Manchester Transit Authority, term to expire May 2010.

7. Confirmation of the nomination of Peter A. Morin to succeed William Houghton as a member of the Fire Commission, term to expire May 1, 2008.

On motion of Alderman Forest, duly seconded by Alderman Shea, it was voted to confirm the nomination of Peter A. Morin to succeed William Houghton as a member of the Fire Commission, term to expire May 1, 2008.

8. Confirmation of the nomination of Kathleen Neville to succeed herself as a member of the Conservation Commission, term to expire August 1, 2008.

On motion of Alderman Roy, duly seconded by Alderman Thibault, it was voted to confirm the nomination of Kathleen Neville to succeed herself as a member of the Conservation Commission, term to expire August 1, 2008.

9. Nomination of Jane E. Beaulieu to fill the Manchester vacancy as a member of the Piscataquog River Local Advisory Committee.

On motion of Alderman Smith, duly seconded by Alderman Osborne, it was voted to nominate Jane E. Beaulieu to fill the Manchester vacancy as a member of the Piscataquog River Local Advisory Committee.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

10. Proposed amendment to the Manchester City Charter previously submitted by Mayor Baines providing for the deletion of Section 8.05 Incompatibility of Office and replacing it with a new Section 8.05 Incompatibility of Office.

“Shall the municipality approve the charter amendment reprinted below?”

#### **§8.05 Incompatibility of Office.**

- (a) No elected city official shall be employed by the city or by the school district until completion of the term for which the official was elected.
- (b) Acceptance of an elected office by a city or by a school district employee shall result in termination of employment.

Alderman Porter moved to order the question to the November 8, 2005 Municipal General Election ballot. Alderman Smith duly seconded the motion. There being none opposed, the motion carried.

11. Communication from Thomas Seigle, Chief Sanitary Engineer, requesting the Board accept permanent and temporary sewer easements relating to the Cohas Brook Interceptor Phase II Project.

Alderman Porter moved to accept the permanent and temporary sewer easements as presented, subject to the review and approval of the City Solicitor. Alderman Sysyn duly seconded the motion. There being none opposed, the motion carried.

12. Communication from Cathy Champagne, President of Jutras Signs and Flags, requesting the Board’s consideration and approval of the proposed “Manchester Gateway Arch Project” which will span over Elm Street with an electronic message center sign component to display advertising as well as messages of community interest.



Mayor Baines recommended that it be referred to a staff committee consisting of Traffic, Planning, Highway, Police, City Solicitor and the Economic Development Director for review and recommendation to a joint meeting of the Committees on Community Improvement and Traffic/Public Safety.

Alderman Shea moved that the proposed “Manchester Gateway Arch Project” be referred to staff committee and joint committees as outlined. Alderman Forest duly seconded the motion.

Alderman DeVries stated I realize that this is going to a staff committee but I thought possibly there would be a few things that we might be able to iron out tonight in order to feel if we are fully endorsing the proposal and if that would be appropriate at this time. I just hate to utilize the staff time if it’s not something that the Board feels that they are going to endorse as presented.

Mayor Baines stated again I would recommend it go to the staff committee to meet with people to determine and then have a joint meeting of those committees and come back to the Board, I think that’s a better process...that’s my recommendation.

Mayor Baines called for a vote on the motion. There being none opposed, the motion carried.

**13. Ordinance:**

“Amending Section 33.026 (Community Health Supervisor) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Manchester.”

On motion of Alderman Garrity, duly seconded by Alderman Osborne, it was voted that the Ordinance be read by title only, and it was so done.

This Ordinance having had the approval of the Human Resources Committee and the report of the Committee having been accepted, Alderman Shea moved that the Ordinance pass and be ordained. Alderman Forest duly seconded the motion. There being none opposed, the motion carried.

**14. NEW BUSINESS**

Communication from the City Clerk submitting, on behalf of Chief Jaskolka, a return of the Warrant for Non-Renewal of Dog License pursuant to RSA 466:16.

On motion of Alderman DeVries, duly seconded by Alderman Sysyn, it was voted to accept the warrant for non-renewal of dog licenses.

Alderman stated two quick items. During the public session there was a question relative to the spending cap ballot and I just wanted to inform the Board that I had a chance to speak with the Solicitor who has indicated that all of the timelines are being adhered to so long as the petitions are validated by the City Clerk that it should appear on the ballot in November.

Mayor Baines stated it has to go to the State, it has to be approved by the Secretary of State, the Department of Revenue Administration and the Attorney General's office.

City Solicitor Clark stated that's correct...that's part of the statute. Once the petitions are certified by the City Clerk then within ten (10) days the Board has to meet to refer it to public hearing. There's a 7-day notice for the public hearing...after the public hearing the Board shall order it to the ballot. Now, they do order it to the ballot at the same time the City Clerk has to send certified copies to the Attorney General, Secretary of State and the Department of Revenue Administration and they have to certify that it's in conjunction or consistent with State law. If they decide it's not consistent with State law it does not go on the ballot. If they decide it is consistent with State law then it has to go on the ballot.

Mayor Baines stated if any of those individuals determine it does or does not comply with State law.

Alderman Guinta asked why wouldn't we just expedite that process?

Mayor Baines replied because it has to be certified. It has to go through that process.

City Solicitor Clark stated because the statutes spells out...

Mayor Baines interjected we're following the State statutes.

Alderman Guinta asked is there anything that precludes us from asking in advance.

City Solicitor Clark stated there is nothing that precludes you from sending them a copy but the statutes says the City Clerk has to send it to them after the public hearing.

Alderman Guinta stated okay so he can do that but in addition to that why don't we just send it in advance in case there are some sections that need to be...

Mayor Baines stated in reading the statute there has to be a legal review of it as part of it that has to go along with the referral to the State. Am I correct on that?

City Solicitor Clark replied the statute requires the opinion of an attorney licensed to do business in the State of New Hampshire that it meets the laws of the State of the New Hampshire.

Alderman Guinta stated okay but I'm not sure that that answers my question though. My question is can we send this in advance to who is it...the Attorney General, Secretary of State and the DRA...

City Solicitor Clark stated there is nothing to preclude the Board from sending up the petition as it now saying that this is in process and here's just an early look if you wish to see it ahead of time but we still have to follow the statutory process.

Alderman Guinta stated I'm saying certainly let's follow the statute but there's nothing that precludes us from doing it ahead of time if there are issues that need to be addressed then we could be prepared for that.

Mayor Baines stated again if the law allows that...again, that's fine if the Board...it's my understanding we do have to follow...

City Solicitor Clark stated we do have to follow every step that's in the statute.

Mayor Baines stated we have to follow the legal process.

Alderman Guinta stated I'm not saying let's not. I'm say let's over comply and send it now rather than wait three weeks...that's all I'm saying.

Mayor Baines stated if the Board so desires we can do that.

Mayor Guinta moved on referring the proposed Charter amendment relating to a spending tax cap to the Secretary of State, Attorney General, and the Commissioner of the Department of Revenue Administration. Alderman Garrity duly seconded the motion.

Alderman DeVries stated my question would be for either yourself, your Honor, or Tom Clark or the City Clerk. Is there any problems foreseen by anybody with us meeting the timeline in order to get this on the November ballot? Why are we trying to rush this through without proper levels of scrutiny? Is there a perception that there is the 3-week delay that Alderman Guinta is alluding to is going to keep this from being on the ballot? I just don't see any reason to authorize the action tonight.

City Solicitor Clark replied I don't believe Alderman Guinta's reference of forwarding this to the State offices at this point doesn't have anything to do with the timeline. He just wants

to give them a head start in looking at it if they wish to. We can send it to them there is nothing that says we can't make them look at it now because they can wait for the certified copy from the City Clerk.

Mayor Baines called for a vote on the motion. The motion carried with Alderman DeVries duly recorded in opposition.

Alderman Guinta stated I have one other issue under new business. It came to my attention today that the MTA does not have a stop at the Senior Center on the west side and I thought that during the discussions...

Mayor Baines interjected yes they do...right in front of it, right at the front door.

Alderman Guinta stated I talked to Dave Smith and I talked to Barbara Vigneault...that's not what they told me.

Mayor Baines stated it's my...Aldermen from the west side can comment...there's always been a stop...it must've changed...right past the church there used to be a stop there.

Alderman Guinta stated I was just as perplexed as you are, Mayor.

Alderman Thibault stated that's what the indentation in the sidewalk is for.

Mayor Baines stated let me look into that because all the years I was at West there was a bus stop there.

Alderman Guinta stated I had been notified by a number of seniors and then I verified it with Dave Smith and with Barbara Vigneault. Number one, there is not an actual stop at the Senior Center but as I recall during the discussions surrounding the development of the Senior Center we talked about not only that but picking up seniors at senior high rises which we aren't doing either. So, I'd like the Board to...

Mayor Baines stated well the Commissioners are not here now but we'll pursue that first thing tomorrow morning.

Alderman Guinta asked could the Board issue a directive?

Mayor Baines replied no...you can't direct them, you can request.

Alderman Guinta asked can we issue a request for some sort of resolution to be presented back to the Board at the September meeting.

Mayor Baines stated we don't even need to take a motion we will request that tomorrow morning.

Alderman Guinta stated I think it should be dealt with immediately.

Alderman Thibault stated there has always been a sign...there's an indentation in the sidewalk.

Mayor Baines stated we should pursue that and we'll get an answer.

Alderman Guinta stated can we get it in the matter of a motion.

Mayor Baines stated fine...there's really no need for a motion because tomorrow morning we will be on the phone with Dave Smith and will get something out to the Board tomorrow.

Alderman Guinta stated I've already done that...I've asked Dave Smith and I've asked Barbara...they're working on it but I'd like something a little stronger from the Board because it's been a year-and-a-half that we've been waiting.

Alderman Thibault stated it's in my ward and I'm sure they'll take care of it.

Alderman Guinta stated if you'd indulge...I spent the better part of my afternoon trying to resolve it, it's not a quick fix...they're looking into studies and they can't really seem to get on the same page.

Alderman Forest asked did you go to the Senior Center and see the bus stop that's there?

Alderman Guinta replied I've actually seen the bus stop...not today, but I did speak with Barbara Vigneault today.

Mayor Baines reiterated we will deal with this the first thing tomorrow morning.

Alderman Garrity stated I think what's important is that when we were talking about the new Senior Center is that they were going to stop at the high rises and pick up and I think that's important...there's high rises on the west side and...

Mayor Baines stated what we will do is tomorrow we will talk to Dave, we'll talk about a meeting with the Commissioners to try and get a plan in place so we can come back to the Board.

Alderman Guinta stated, your Honor, I would like to make a motion to that effect. Alderman Thibault duly seconded the motion. There being none opposed, the motion carried.

Alderman Lopez stated another issue that came up during the public session I would like to have Kevin Sheppard address the issue in reference to vehicles since he put the policy together and the policy is in place. You weren't here but during the public session there was indication that there is no policy in place in reference to vehicles having decals and who's responsible. Could you enlighten the public please.

Mr. Kevin Sheppard, Deputy Public Works Director, stated there is a policy in place regarding decals on City vehicles. The only exempt vehicles...I don't have the policy with me, but I believe i.e. the Police and detectives are exempt from decals but the City policy does say "all city vehicles" will have decals. There are a couple of exemptions...I don't have those with me but all department heads...that policy, I believe, was approved just last year by the CIP Committee and that policy was sent out to all department heads.

Alderman Lopez asked would you follow-up with that with all of the department heads to make sure they're complying with it please.

Mr. Sheppard replied sure. We'll send a letter out to all departments with city vehicles.

Alderman Osborne stated while we have Mr. Sheppard up there...just a quick question...regarding the strobe lights for the snow emergencies have we decided yet whether it's going to be Highway or Police who is going to be turning them off or on.

Mr. Sheppard replied I'm not too sure if that has been decided.

Alderman Osborne stated there's some confusion here...if we could get them going.

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion of Alderman Smith, duly seconded by Alderman Thibault, it was voted to adjourn.

A True Record. Attest.

City Clerk